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## INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT

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Applicant					
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1. This international preliminary examination report has been prepared by this International Preliminary Examining Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 36.					
2. This REPORT consists of a total of sheets, including this cover sheet.					
This report is also acc	companied by ANNEXES, i.e.	, sheets of the	description, claims and/or drawings		
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I Basis of the report					
II Priority	II Priority				
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IV Lack of unity of					
V Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial					
applicability; cit	applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement				
VI Certain documents cited					
VII Certain defects in the international application					
VIII Certain observations on the international application					
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I.	Bas	is of the report
1.	With	regard to the elements of the international application:*
	$\boxtimes$	the international application as originally filed.
	$\boxtimes$	the description:
		pages 1-31 as originally filed
		pages NONE , filed with the demand
		pages NONE, filed with the letter of
		the claims:
		pages 32-36 , as originally filed pages NONE , as amended (together with any statement) under Article 19
		pages NONE, as amended (together with any statement) under Article 19 pages NONE, filed with the demand
		pages NONE , filed with the letter of
	$\boxtimes$	the drawings:
		pages 1-14 , as originally filed
		pages NONE , filed with the demand
		pages NONE, filed with the letter of
		the sequence listing part of the description:
		pages NONE , as originally filed
		pages NONE, filed with the demand pages NONE, filed with the letter of
2.	Witl	regard to the language, all the elements marked above were available or furnished to this Authority in the
	lang	page in which the international application was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.
	Thes	se elements were available or furnished to this Authority in the following language which is:
		the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (under Rule23.1(b)).
		the language of publication of the international application (under Rule 48.3(b)).
		the language of the translation furnished for the purposes of international preliminary examination(under Rules
		55.2 and/or 55.3).
3.	With	regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application, the
	inter	national preliminary examination was carried out on the basis of the sequence listing:
	Ц	contained in the international application in printed form.
	Ц	filed together with the international application in computer readable form.
	Щ	furnished subsequently to this Authority in written form.
	Щ	furnished subsequently to this Authority in computer readable form.
		The statement that the subsequently furnished written sequence listing does not go beyond the disclosure in the
	_	international application as filed has been furnished.
		The statement that the information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written sequence listing
	_	has been furnished.
4.	$\boxtimes$	The amendments have resulted in the cancellation of:
		the description, pages NONE
		the claims, Nos. NONE
		the drawings, sheets/fig NONE
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J.		This report has been established as if (some of) the amendments had not been made, since they have been considered to go beyond the disclosure as filed, as indicated in the Supplemental Box (Rule 70.2(c)).**
* R	eplac	ement sheets which have been furnished to the receiving Office in response to an invitation under Article 14 are referred to in
uus	repoi	et as "originally filed" and are not annexed to this report since they do not contain amendments (Rules 70.16 and 70.17).  Explacement sheet containing such amendments must be referred to under item 1 and annexed to this report.

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V. Reasoned statement under Rule 66.2(a citations and explanations supporting s	(ii) with regard to novelty, inventive step	or industrial applicability;
1. STATEMENT		
Novelty (N)	Claims 1-24	YES
	Claims NONE	NO
Inventive Step (IS)	Claims 1-24	YES
	Claims NONE	NO
Industrial Applicability (IA)	Claims 1-24	YES
	Claims NONE	NO
modeling and counseling system that offers both at Claims 1-24 meet industrial applicability as define coaching of an automated modeling system, to pla  NEW CITATIONS	d by PCT Article 33(4) because it enables the use in, select, and analyze a portfolio investment.	r to make better decisions via the
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